

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 10 have been amended to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the present invention. The substance of claim 5 has been incorporated into claim 1 and claim 5 has been cancelled. Claim 10, as amended, adds that the display part displays information on at least upper and lower lines.

Newly added claim 11 depends from claim 10 and adds the step of selecting the display size of the upper and lower lines.

Claim 1-4 and 6-11 remain for consideration.

Previously, claims 1-10 were rejected as being unpatentable over Shea in view of Brandt. In the explanation of the rejection on Shea, the Examiner observed that Shea disclosed, inter alia, display mode select means for selecting a display mode for selected item to be customized (See col. 9 line 27-67), and display mode selecting means select a number of lines to be displayed on display means (See col. 26 line 52-58, Fig. 7).

Then on Page 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner admits that Shea does not specifically disclose selecting a display mode for the selected items to be customized and selecting item to be customized and selecting a number of lines to be displayed on the display means. Applicant submits that this observation by the Examiner on the shortcomings of Shea is correct. The quotation in col. 26 lines 52-58 of Shea refers not to input run information or to input personal information, but to information about the arrangement and location of exercise terminals at a health club. The Examiner's reference to Fig. 7 is not understood as there is no teaching therein of a display part displaying information in at least upper and lower lines.

Turning to Brandt, the Examiner indicated that the specific shortcomings of Shea noted above were taught in Brandt. There is no specific teaching in Brandt of "selecting the number of lines to be displayed", as recited in independent claims 1 and 10 of the present application, Applicant has found no specific teaching of the quoted element in col. 1 line 46 -

col. 2 line 52 of Brandt. Brandt at col. 4 lines 52-58 suggests that the display of a particular function in either an upper or a lower frame of a window may be changed. The sequence in which the selected functions may be displayed can be changed. However, the language from Brandt does not teach that the display mode selecting means select the number of lines to be displayed on the display means. At col. 4 line 59 - col. 5 line 2 of Brandt there is no specific teaching that the display mode selecting means select the number of lines to be displayed on the display means. Such teaching is also absent from col. 5 lines 52-62 of Brandt.

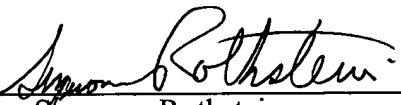
The admitted deficiencies of Shea are not remedied by Brandt. Thus, for the reasons given above, claims 1 and 10 are considered to patentably distinguish over the combination of Shea and Brandt. Claims 1 and 10 should now be allowed.

Claims 2-4 and 6-9 depend from claim 1 and should be allowed together with claim 1. Claim 11 depends from claim 10 and should be allowed together with claim 10.

Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application are solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

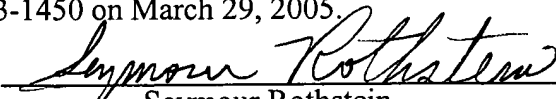
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